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### VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Kenneth M. Karas  
 United States District Court  
 Southern District of New York  
 United States Courthouse  
 300 Quarropas Street, Chambers 533  
 White Plains, New York 10601-4150

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Re: Columbia Gas Transmissions Corporation v. Lewis Perry, et al.  
07 cv 5739 (KMK) (MDF)

Dear Judge Karas:

My firm represents the plaintiff Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation in the above-referenced action. I am in receipt of Mr. Nahas's letter requesting a conference and suggesting that this action may be resolved via motions for summary judgment. As Mr. Nahas indicated in his letter, my client agrees, in concept, to this approach in hopes of all parties avoiding unnecessary costs and bringing this action to a swift resolution. Instead of traditional motion practice, however, Columbia Gas would suggest some sort of mechanism wherein the parties agree to a simultaneous exchange of initial moving papers, with a set time period by which the parties would simultaneously exchange reply papers responding to the opposing parties' initial moving papers.

At this stage, my client agrees that a conference with the Court may be the logical next step to discuss this proposed process with the Court.

Respectfully submitted,

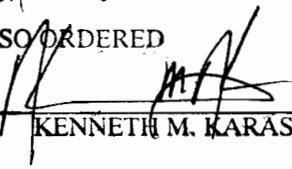
  
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*The Court will hold*

*a pre-motion conference on April 25,*

*2008, at 2:15*

*SO ORDERED*

  
 KENNETH M. KARAS U.S.D.J.

*3/19/08*

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cc: Stuart Nahas, Esq.